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29. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein said connector comprises a clamp.

30. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein the connector comprises a biocompatible material.

31. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein at least one of said members includes an opening.

32. (New) The device of claim 15, wherein the connector comprises a first connector configured to be positioned adjacent the endocardium of the chamber.

33. (New) The device of claim 32, wherein the second connector is curved.

34. (New) A static device for use with an unrestricted heart having an outer wall and at least one chamber, said device comprising,

a plurality of members configured to be positioned adjacent the epicardial surface of the heart; and

a first connector joining the members, the first connector having portions configured to be encased in the tissue of the heart,

wherein said members are fixed in a spaced relationship relative to each other such that at least two portions of the outer wall are displaced inwardly from the unrestricted position.

35. (New) The device of claim 34, wherein the connector is configured to be inserted through a portion of the heart.

36. (New) The device of claim 34, further comprising a second connector.

37. (New) The device of claim 36, wherein the second connector joins the members.

38. (New) The device of claim 37, wherein the second connector has portions configured to be encased in the tissue of the heart.

39. (New) The device of claim 36, wherein the second connector is straight.

### REMARKS

By the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants cancel claims 1-14 and add new claims 15-39. Claims 15, 19, 20, 21, 23, 24, and 34 are identical to claims 1,

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